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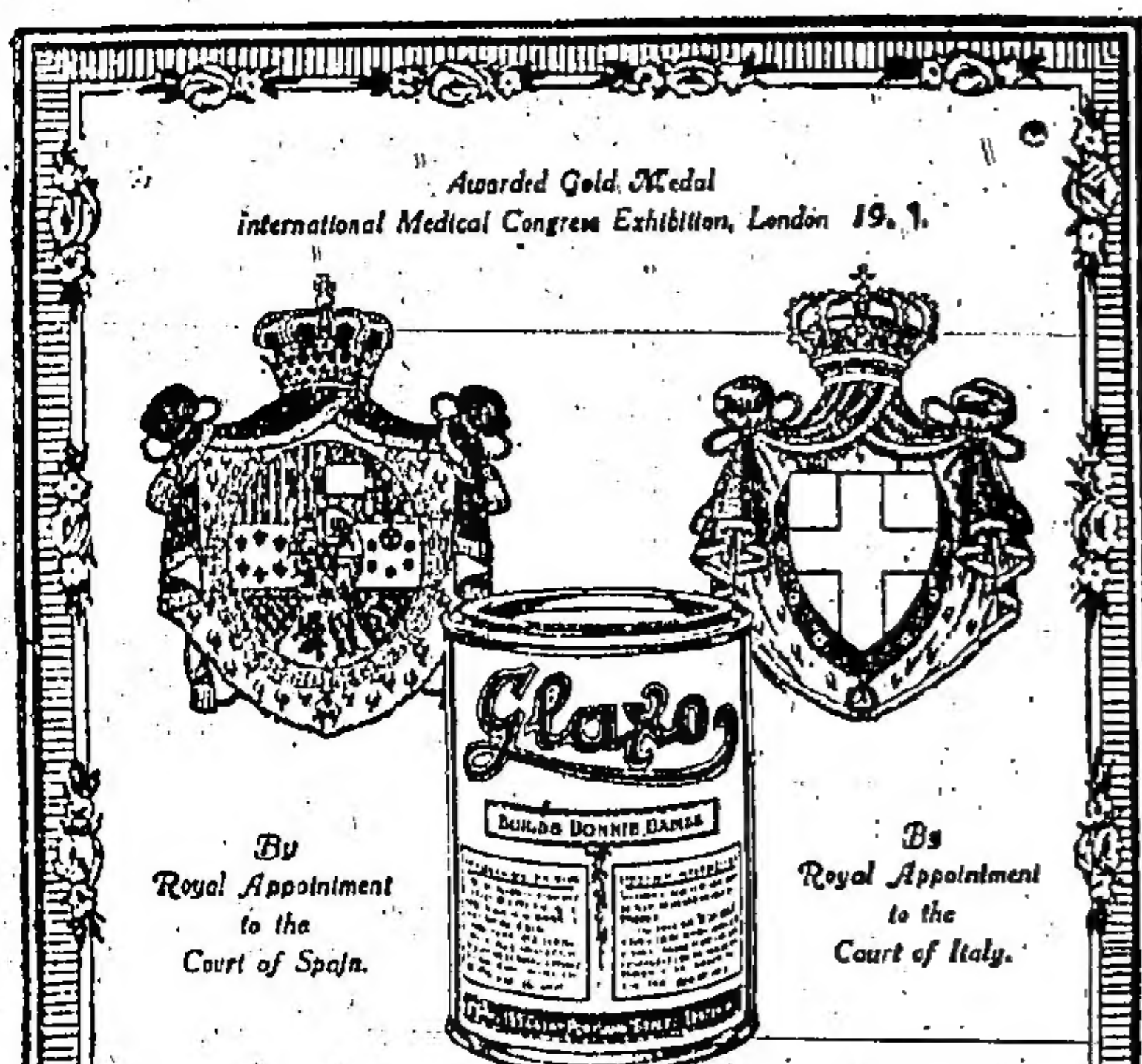
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HONGKONG MAN KNIGHTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 8.  
Mr. Stanley Baldwin's resignation honours list comprises one peer, five privy councillors, nine baronets and sixteen knights.

Sir John Butcher receives a barony.  
[Sir John Butcher, K.C., is M.P. for the City of York. A distinguished scholar, he has specialised in fluids and their motions.]

LATER.  
Mr. Gershom Stewart has been made a Knight of the British Empire for colonial and imperial services.

[Mr. Gershom Stewart, Unionist M.P. for the Wirral Division of Cheshire since January 1910, was born at Greenock. He was engaged in business in the Colony of Hongkong from 1882 to 1906. He was a member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, and held various offices in the Colony.]

### LLOYD GEORGE INCIDENT.

REGARDED AS CLOSED.

LONDON, February 8.  
Office the proofs of the French yellow book which have caused the controversy.

It is stated on good authority that M. Poincaré has intimated that as far as he is concerned the incident may be regarded as closed.

[An earlier cable stated:—With extraordinary unanimity the newspapers refer to the excellent impression created by the British Government's attitude with regard to Lloyd George's interview, even the *Echo de Paris* joins the chorus. Satisfaction is expressed at Mr. MacDonald's haste to justify his good faith with France, which M. Poincaré greatly appreciated. The most friendly sentiments are voiced as regards the Labour Cabinet.]

### CLAIM FOR 48-HOUR WEEK.

BRITAIN'S LEAD SOUGHT.

LONDON, February 8.  
A deputation from the Trades Union Congress waited on the Minister of Labour and urged immediate steps to give legislative effect to the Washington convention with regard to the 48-hour week.

The deputation quoted statements in support of the contention that ratification of the Washington convention in foreign countries was largely held up by Britain's attitude and that there had therefore been a tendency to lengthen the hours of labour.

### THE LATE MRS. PETRIE

LAI'D TO REST AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Petrie, wife of Mr. T. Petrie recently retired Editor of the *South China Morning Post*, took place at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. The large number of mourners who attended testified to the respect and esteem in which the deceased lady was held, and the sympathy for the bereaved husband. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, of Union Church.

The chief mourner was Mr. Petrie, and among those present were:—Messrs. B. Wylie, H. Ching, P. P. P. Oliver, E. Fung, J. M. B. Xavier, Chan Kai and B. C. Lee (of the staff of the *S. C. Morning Post*), A. Hicks, A. Morley and E. P. Franklin (of the *Hongkong Telegraph*), H. A. Cartwright, B. A. Hale, J. Arncliffe and J. H. Gelling (of the *Hongkong Daily Press*), G. W. C. Burnett (China Mail), D. A. Purves, R. Packham, G. P. Curry, D. Gow, A. K. Henderson, D. K. Blair, T. Neave, W. L. Weaver, Captain R. Innes, Captain T. P. Hall, Messrs. R. Hall, G. M. Shaw, G. A. Henderson, J. W. Gloyd, J. Morris, P. Phage, D. Steel, J. E. Orlerton, T. Orlerton, M. F. Key, H. Ellis, D. O. de Silva, A. Course, H. J. White, J. Hyde, S. Komor, Mr. H. Taylor, Mrs. J. H. Tugart, Mrs. Packham, and many others.

### LIST OF WREATHS.

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### TREATY WITH RUSSIA.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 8.  
It is understood that the Russian reply to the British note according to the Soviet recognition is being handed to the Foreign Office to-day.

The note closely follows the lines of the recent resolution of the Council of Soviets.

LATER.  
The Russian note to Britain, couched in diplomatic language, expresses readiness to replace the treaties which have been denounced or have lost their juridical force in consequence of events during or after the war.

The Soviet Government will therefore send plenipotentiaries to London whose tasks will also include settlement of mutual outstanding claims and obligations, as well as determination of means to restore Russia's credit in Britain.

The Soviet emphasises that mutual confidence and non-interference in internal affairs remain indispensable conditions for the development of friendly Anglo-Russian relations.

The note intimates the appointment of M. Rakosky as Charge d'Affaires pending the appointment of an Ambassador.

### HONDURAS TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, February 8.

The cruiser "Rochester" has proceeded to Honduras in response to an appeal from American residents there.

[Recent cables reported a revolutionary movement in Honduras, a Republic in Central America with an area of 46,250 square miles and a population of 744,000.]

### NAVAL OIL LEASES.

WASHINGTON, February 8.

The oil lease committee will hear Mr. McAdoo at his own request to-morrow.

[Mr. McAdoo formally announced that he has terminated his professional services with the Doherty Company and he desired to testify at the oil leases enquiry. He declared that his life is an open book. He has betrayed no trust and has not enriched himself at the expense of the country or people.]

### LETHAL GAS DEATH.

CHINESE EXECUTED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, February 8.  
The first execution by lethal gas in American history was carried out here in the case of Gee Jon, a Chinese convicted of murder.

### COMMERCIAL NOTES.

JAPAN'S FINANCES.

LONDON, February 7.  
With regard to the impending Japanese loan of between £50,000,000 and £60,000,000, it is expected that rather less than half will be offered in London. A special sinking fund will be attached to the loan.—Reuter.

### NEW GUINEA.

LONDON, February 7.

It is reported from Amsterdam that the scheme of a German group for the exploitation of parts of Dutch New Guinea is causing uneasiness in Holland.

The Minister for the Colonies, replying to members in the Second Chamber, declared that public authority would not be given to concessionaires, but some distrust is still expressed by the Press.—Reuter.

### AUSTRALIA BORROWING.

MELBOURNE, February 8.

The prospectus has been issued for the Federal Government's £25,000,000 loan, six per cent issued at par.

The lists close on March 18.—Reuter.

### SILK.

The silk forwarded from here by "Empress of Asia" on January 10 arrived in New York on February 2, having been 23 days in transit.

Reuter cables from Rome that Italy's treaty with Russia definitely re-establishes political relations and the Italian Government appoints an ambassador to Moscow immediately.

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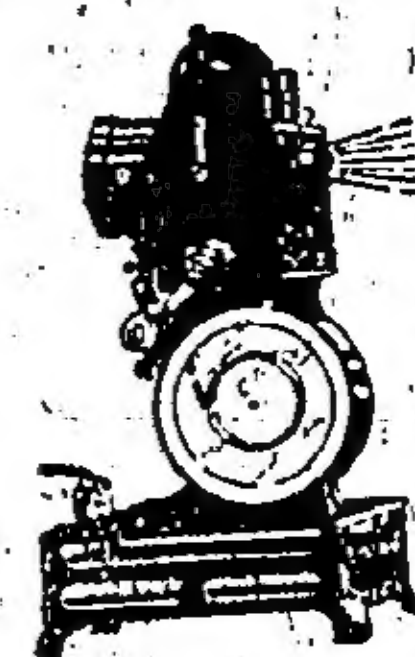
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1924, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1923.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following resolution viz.—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be, and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinance under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issue in the following manner:—

(a) So that the whole of the increase (namely \$10,000,000) of such ordinary note issue shall be secured by coin or bullion or approved securities.

(b) To provide that whatever the total amount of the note issue may be at any particular time the amount of coin as distinct from bullion or approved securities to be deposited by the Corporation shall never be less than one third of the total amount of the bills in actual circulation.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

A. G. STEPHEN,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1924.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., LTD., on MONDAY, February 25th, 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1923.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1924.

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MEMBERS' BADGES OF ADMISSION are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings. Members are notified that they cannot gain admission on production of the metal Badges issued last year.

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 8, 1924.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1924.

FEBRUARY 20th, 21st, 22nd & 23rd.

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Linstead & Davis,  
Treasurers.

Hongkong, February 9, 1924.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Lord Robert Cecil will, it is officially announced, assume the title of Viscount Cecil of Chelwood.

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Christmas letter on the subject of Church reunion has aroused widespread interest throughout the country.

On Boxing Day no fewer than 3,500,000 persons were carried in London by the Tubes, omnibuses, and tramcars controlled by the Underground.

Considerable annoyance is shown in France at the publication in England of the German Memorandum presented to the Foreign Office on Christmas Eve.

"Saint Joan," Mr. Bernard Shaw's new play, was successfully produced in New York. The *New York World* in a criticism describes "Saint Joan as the finest play ever written in the English language in our day."

Further cases of foot-and-mouth disease have been reported, and the total number of cattle destroyed now reaches 106,848, and the compensation paid amounts to £1,647,000, against which £250,000 has been received from the salvage of healthy carcasses.

The Italian Cabinet have introduced a new decoration, to be known as the "Star of Merit for Work." It is reserved exclusively for manual workers of both sexes who distinguish themselves in skill, trustworthiness, and good conduct.

A despatch from Washington states that the Government have decided to help President Obregon to suppress the revolution by selling to the Federal Government munitions of war. It is understood that at least 15,000 Springfield rifles and 10,000,000 rounds of ammunition will be forwarded.

Great damage has been done in Switzerland by numerous snow avalanches. The railway services have been interrupted and many parties of tourists are held up. Wet snow in the mountains and heavy rains in the valleys continue, with strong winds, which at times attain a velocity of fifty miles an hour.

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## SURGEON'S BULLETIN.

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This morning's *Reuter* cables reported that the Prince of Wales had broken his collar bone. The injury was slight and he was returning to London. According to later cables, Sir Stanley Hewett, Surgeon to the Royal Household, issued a bulletin yesterday afternoon that there were no complications and the Prince was progressing favourably.

LONDON, February 8.

The Prince of Wales' collar bone is broken. The injury, a fracture, was surgically attended to in London by a specialist.

The Prince is in bed at York House. He is as comfortable as circumstances permit.



[Earlier cables stated H.R.H. The Prince of Wales broke his collar-bone while exercising his hunter at Billington Manor, near Ascott. He spent the night at Mentmore Mansions with Lord Dalmeny, prior to the meet of the Whaddon Chase Hounds at Ascott.

Early in the morning he took his hunters to Billington Manor, the residence of Sir Richard Cooper, and he was jumping a fence when his horse fell. The Prince of Wales was pitched on his shoulder, but immediately rose and tried to remount.

His Equerry said, "I believe you have broken your collar-bone!" and the Prince of Wales replied, "Yes, have me taken to Leighton Buzzard!" He was given medical treatment, and subsequently driven back to Mentmore with his shoulder bandaged, but smiling.]

## TRAIN ROBBERS.

## A REPORTED HOLD UP ON NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

Between Shui Tong and Sheng Pok on the Samshui-Canton railway line, a train was brought to standstill on Tuesday, says a report received by the *China Mail* this morning, and robbers held up the passengers. The metal way had been torn up for a distance of about 40 yards and the train from Canton overruled. Fortunately none of the passenger cars overturned.

It is stated that the robbers took away ten first class Chinese passengers, evidently to hold them for ransom. Last year a similar incident was reported from the same spot.

There were no foreigners on the train and nobody was killed.

London, February 7.—It is understood that yesterday's meeting of Unionist leaders, convened by Mr. Baldwin and including Earl Balfour, Lord Birkenhead and Mr. Austen Chamberlain, resolved, in view of the verdict of the electorate, to eliminate the general Protectionist policy from the Party programme, but to advocate a tariff to protect particularly the pressed industries which prove the necessity, therefore, to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade, to maintain the principle of imperial preference within the limits laid down by the Imperial Conference.

## MARRIAGE FLUTTERS.

## MISS WINTERBOTTOM ANNOUNCES NUPTIALS.

[BY JOHN SINCLAIR.]

Miss Winterbottom (pronounced Vangtrabottom) has thrown a bombshell in the Boarding House. My future, past and present has faded away into thin air with the explosion of the prim little typist's announcement. I am no longer the cynosure, the second best topic around the surreptitious dining table—the first being the menu. Miss Winterbottom has taken the limelight and now there is something solid to talk about, something to juggle with and conjecture. She is going to get married, to exchange her single life for conjugal bliss, her bottom drawer being filled to the top and her prospective mate two days away on some boat from Hongkong. As a selfish bachelor who has so far escaped the perils of the stormy sea of matrimony, Miss Winterbottom's bombshell did not have that same cataclysmic effect on me as it did on the Old Lady and her precocious grand-daughter. No. They have begun to look upon me as kind of Trappist Monk in the house in a sort of nobody-will-ever-marry-him attitude.

Yet when I think of little Miss W—her name is too exasperating to repeat too many times—I feel more and more convinced that she deserves her Frankie. She has tapped out her frail fingers to the bone for many years on some callous firm's typewriter. She has arrived prompt to the second and her office every morning and sharp to the minute at every meal. In sheer sympathy one evening I invited her to have just one small cocktail. It was the same evening of the fortunetelling episode when I had to be sociable more or less. She considered the offer for a hesitating minute or two, then she gazed at me with a far away look in her eyes and ordered a glass of milk. Evidently she was thinking of Frankie then. I did not press the point, but let her have her milk and dream of her Romeo.

I suppose I shall be invited to the wedding. But I shall excuse myself. My tail coat and blithesome pants are deep down at the bottom of my trunk and they bear some painful memories. They last saw the light of day at the wedding of a good pal of mine in Shanghai. It was the parting of the ways. His rash act broke up a happy trio and the two of us left erected a tombstone in his memory and were never the same again. He was a good fellow and for many years had been careered dangerously on the verge of marriage until a "fascinat" in New York got simply swept him off his feet. He lost his head in a critical moment. Whether or not he was acting under the inspiration of the much boasted Anglo-American friendship idea, I do not know, but my single reflection was that if our diplomats were the same as he, is, the Foreign Office may as well put their shutters up. But the pair are happy. I have only met him once since that fateful day when I nearly insulted him by wearing a black tie as best man. He nearly broke my back in his congratulations of his doubled existence, as it were.

"You don't know you are alive until you get married, John!" he exclaimed. I do not know how many times.

"Marriage is just the thing."

"I said 'Ahem,'—that's all."

Miss W. could not have done a more indiscreet thing than to broadcast her approaching nuptials. The Old Lady has become garrulous. She remembers to a stitch what she wore hundreds of years ago at her wedding, how her husband blushed when he kissed her in the village church, how the party consumed thousands of bottles of drinks, how the fiddler fell off his perch drunk, half way through the merrymaking and so on. Miss W's wedding has struck a chord in the Old Lady's heart which is reverberating from floor to roof.

"Aye," she says, "I wish I were young again."

The Landlady is already making preparations for the event. A reception at the house etc. Miss W. is in a continual flutter of excitement. I have already advised her to resign from the office, but like the discreet little woman she is, she will not sever her business connections until she is actually in dear Frankie's arms. I don't blame her. She will make the best of wives.

Marriage must be a wonderful thing to make girls get like this. I always thought Miss Winterbottom lacking in emotion until two days ago. I am wondering if I should feel the same. Whether or not my heart has hardened too much under the burning tropical suns to prevent any splashing. Could I ever break through. I know what my Club friends would say if anything did happen to me. As I shall have more to say in my next

## LOCAL TURF.

## COMING ANNUAL MEETING.

## CLUB SELLING SWERPS.

With less than a fortnight to go before track enthusiasts wend their way to Happy Valley for Hongkong's annual race-meeting, which extends from Wednesday the 20th to Saturday the 23rd, interest is steadily growing and cars are on the alert for the least bit of authentic news from the experts.

That mysterious "element known to turfites as 'form,'" in the shape of the selling-sweeps at the clubs, has assumed more definite shape although inclement weather since the holidays has been against gauging the possible prowess of the steeds that will carry the hopes of the various stables. At any rate, pronounced views were indicated at the bidding for ponies and the usual large crowds were present to ensure keen attendances.

Interest seems to be monopolised at present by the candidates entered for the Derby, the Blue Riband of Hongkong racing. At the Tam On Club last night, all three draws for the big race evoked more than average enthusiasm even if they were only "by stable." Taking the offers last night as a criterion of what those who follow the training think, one of the ponies belonging to Messrs. Morris and Marshall stands an excellent chance of carrying off the honours. Between whispers dropped from groups in the room it was heard that the renowned "Hill had promised to steer these mounts. Another old-timer confidently expressed his faith in the pony with a pronounced streak of Russian blood in him, believing him capable of doing the mile and a half, with Hill up, in a manner which could have only one result. According to the offers for this stable in the three draws last night, the odds accepted by the bidders were just about evens or slightly under, for a win, while they would not even get back their lay out if only second and third places were annexed.

Running the Shanghai stable very closely were the ponies owned by that veteran sportsman, Sir Paul. From behind a chart of training times and a mass of calculations a tipster was heard to remark that trainer Curreen was sure to pull it off again this year and as the draw was "by stable" there was no need to discuss the respective merits of the first and second strings. About 4 to 3 would be the average of the odds in the three draws if the "straw and white cap" took first place, and backers would just get their money back if they had to be satisfied with second and third.

Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's stable was made third favourite at slightly better odds than Sir Paul's but beyond these three there was "little doing" with the exception of a fair demand for Mr. A. H. Carroll's ponies. The offers for this stable were disproportionate, the highest being one which would give about 4 to 1 for a win alone and 1 to 2 for second place. The best bargain for this stable was a series in which the odds were about 12 to 1 for first place, 100 to 35 for second and nearly evens for third.

Other stables which found supporters here and there and may be described as including the outsiders' chances were those of Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. H. Birkett, Mr. Henry Humphreys, Lady Chater and Mr. Dynasty.

There was also a draw for the Victoria Stakes, also by stable, with Sir Paul's and Messrs. Stephen's and Stitt's hot favourites. Only two others were bid for these being Mr. Dynasty's and Messrs. Morris's and Marshall's.

Only moderate support was forthcoming for the Chater Cup (by stable) draw. This race is for gymkhana-ponies and popular opinion favoured the following stables in the order given:—A. H. Carroll, Dyer and Beith, A. A. Alves, R. J. Wilton, Albert and Arnold, Potts and Croucher.

New York, February 7.—The indignation aroused throughout America by the neglect of the German Embassy to half-mast the flag in honour of the late Mr. Wilson, is reflected by a statement in the *Tribune* saying that some financial circles are of the opinion that the incident may seriously affect the prospects of any German loan in America.—*Reuter*.

London, February 7.—It is understood that the employers, who conferred yesterday, are prepared to meet the dockers half-way in regard to the demand for a two shilling increase. The prospect of averting a strike is therefore regarded with hope.—*Reuter*.

present a well-defined. And on this subject of bridge, which the newspapers always forget to mention except the more noisy, I shall have more to say in my next

## COMPANY MEETING.

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The ordinary annual general meeting of shareholders of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., was held at the Hongkong Hotel this morning. Mr. Henry Humphreys presided and he was supported by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Father Robert, Messrs. J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden and J. M. Alves (Directors).

After Mr. G. Rapp, the Secretary, had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

The report and statement of accounts with auditors' report having been in your hands for the past twelve days I propose, with your permission, to adopt the usual procedure and take them as read.

As regards the accounts I think you will agree with me that they are quite satisfactory. They call for little comment. Profit on sales of property is \$25,933.26 less than last year, on the other hand revenue from rent shows an increase of \$45,552.21.

The amount at credit of special repairs and renewals account has been reduced to the low figure of \$1,488 as shown in the accounts; your directors therefore propose to transfer a sum of \$10,000 from profits to the credit of this account. The typhoons and floods of 1923 especially those on the May Road level. The proposed transfer of \$10,000 to the credit of typhoon and floods insurance fund will be more than sufficient to repair the damage.

I trust the proposed allocation of \$50,000 to reserve fund, and the proposed distribution of profits will meet with your approval. I have no further remarks to make and now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted. After this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions in connection with the accounts shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill seconded. No questions were asked. The Chairman proposed and Mr. D. H. Seth seconded the resolution that Messrs. J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden, the Rev. Father Robert, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. M. Alves be re-elected as Directors of the Company.

Mr. H. Percy Smith and Messrs. Linstead and Davies were elected auditors for the year at a remuneration of \$250. Mr. D. E. Clark proposed and Mr. M. Fernandez seconded.

Reuter cables from Tokyo that the Japanese general elections will take place on May 10.

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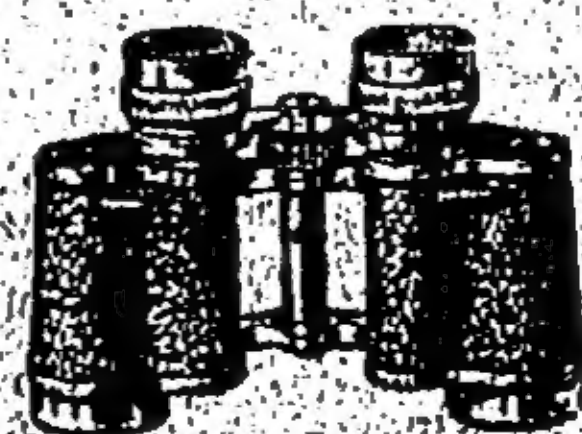
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THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 28th, February 1924, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from THURSDAY the 21st, February 1924, until THURSDAY 28th, February 1924, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1924.

## NOTICE.

MESSRS. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Chartered Accountants, announce that they have removed their offices to the 1st floor of Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, February 9, 1924.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

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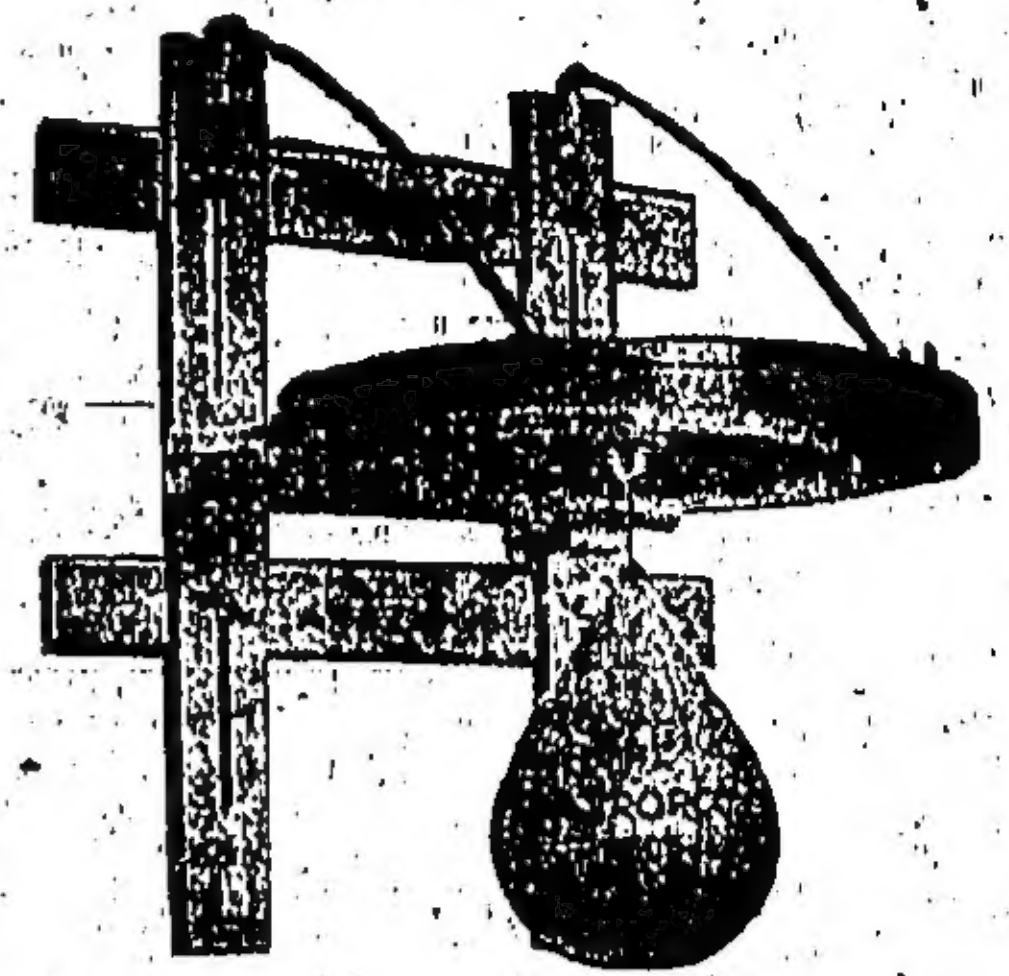
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HIDE JIMBOE MARU .....Saturday, 24th February.  
SEA NILE MARU .....Saturday, 24th Feb.  
SOMERAT—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
ANDES MARU .....Wednesday, 20th Feb.  
ARGON MARU .....Thursday, 22nd March.  
SUMATRA MARU .....Thursday, 22nd March.  
SAIGON, BANQUE & SINGAPORE.  
HUBBO MARU .....Monday, 3rd March.  
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Hongkong.  
INDO MARU .....Wednesday, 13th February.  
VICTORIA STRAIT PACIFIC & YANAGAWA—Via Hongkong and Japan Ports.  
KAWONA MARU .....Monday, 18th Feb.  
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
ALASKA MARU .....End of February.  
JAPAN PORTS—Hokkaido, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama and Nagoya.  
LONDON MARU .....Sunday, 24th Feb.  
KESLUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.  
TAKO MARU .....Sunday, 10th Feb. at 11 a.m.  
AMARU MARU .....Sunday, 17th Feb. at 11 a.m.  
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.  
GRINER MARU .....Thursday, 14th Feb. 8 a.m.  
TAKAO and KESLUNG.  
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## AMOY.

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## FOOCHOW.

Feb. 12—D.L. Haiching.  
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## SHANGHAI.

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**DIRECTOR AND NOVELIST**

EXCHANGE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

D. W. Griffith, motion picture director and producer, and Robert W. Chambers, novelist, exchanged Christmas gifts this way: Mr. Griffith gave Chambers a chance to appear in his forthcoming film feature, "America," while Mr. Chambers gave Griffith the opportunity of writing 500 words of his story, now in work, and which will be the story of "America" in type. The story of "America" is a picture about when Chambers, a regular at the Griffith studios at Mamaroneck, N.Y., remarked that he seemed to him directing a picture, a great big picture like "America," is an easy task compared to the grind of writing a novel. Griffith replied that at least one of his generation's leading novelists had gotten the habit of writing out a best seller in the form of a vacationing from picture to picture.

Whereupon, the two men selected by the Directors of the American Revolution to place the War of American Independence in type and on the screen, agreed to make each other the aforementioned rather unique Christmas presents. They planned to spend all Christmas Day at it, and so will some hundreds of actors, actresses, technicians and camera men.

**NORMA TALMADGE'S NEW PICTURE.**

Norma Talmadge's drama, of the Algerian Sahara, formerly known as "Dust of Desire," has been given its permanent title. The new title is "The Song of Love." The cutting and editing of "The Song of Love" was finished this week and, following a final preview, it will be sent to New York for release.

"The Song of Love" is Norma's first picture since she appeared in "Ashes of Vengeance." It was co-directed by Chester Franklin and Frances Marion and will be released by Producer Joseph M. Schenck.

Norma Talmadge has the role of an Ouled Nail dancing girl in "The Song of Love" and is supported by Joseph Schildkraut and Arthur Edmund Carew. Schildkraut, the famous Viennese actor who created such a sensation in "Tillam" in New York, has the role of a French Government spy in "The Song of Love." Arthur Edmund Carew, the Swedish actor, has a role of a French agent, and is cast as Ramlika, the leader of a band of desert nomads.

The cast of "The Song of Love" also includes Maude Wayne, Hector V. Sarno, Laurence White, Mario Carillo, James Cagney, Albert Finney and Earl Schenck. The beautiful photography is credited to Giuseppe Gandini, while the picturesque sets were designed by Stephen Goossens.

**"COLONEL"**

D. W. GRIFFITH'S LATEST TITLE.

Now it is Colonel D. W. Griffith. For the noted motion picture and producer who revolutionized the film world by making the first long motion picture, "The Birth of a Nation," and who now is filming "The War of Independence" in "America" at the request of the Daughters of the American Revolution, has been made an honest-to-goodness Colonel by the Governor in his native state, Kentucky.

Gov. Edwin P. Morrow of Kentucky, has just forwarded Griffith's commission to Mayor Huston Quinn of Louisville, together with a letter stating that he has made Mr. Griffith a colonel in recognition of the honor which the picture producer has brought to his native state.

Mr. Griffith is the first motion picture producer ever honored in this manner. Others who have received similar commissions in the past include Col. George Horace Lorimer, Col. Norman P. Hapgood and Col. John T. McCutcheon.

Mr. Griffith was born at Lu Grange, Ky., January 22, 1890, one of eight children of Gen. Jacob Wark Griffith, the "Roaring Jake" Griffith of the Confederacy.

Word of the signal honour bestowed on Mr. Griffith by the Blue Grass State reached the producer at his Mamaroneck studio where he now is filming scenes for "America." He declined to make any statement.

**FURY OF THE TYPHOON.**

BIG TIDAL WAVE STAGED FOR PICTURE.

An unsolved mystery exists about one of Nature's greatest destroyers, the typhoon, which still continues to sweep across the tropics and take a heartless toll of human life and property. There are times when great destructive winds accompany tidal waves and destroy, as only water can, with a fury equal to volcanoes.

This is skillfully filmed in the recent Universal Super-Jewel production, "Thundering Dawn," which will be first shown at the Coronet Theatre. Harry Garson, who directed the production, spared no effort or expense to attain needed elements of realism. Thunderbolts, a recent commercialized innovation, crash out across the sky, directed by the scientific principles set down by Dr. Charles Steinmetz, the electrical wizard, and discoverer of this principle.

Four huge dredges were devised so that they could be used for pumping; and ten million gallons of sea water were sprayed to convey an unmistakably vivid picture of a tidal wave in action. Costly structures "went by the boards" when the sea swept in; but it all resulted in a film record which any geographical society would want to keep on account of its accuracy.

All this discloses an interesting contrast from the comfortable home and mode of life which Paul Standish, a likeable chap, played by J. Warren Kerrigan, lives when he resides in the states, before business ventures turned out bad for his father and himself, and he decides to leave, rather suddenly so that whatever might arise, all blame would point towards himself alone.

The woman who meant most in his life, Mary Rogers, portrayed by Anna Q. Nilsson, was to have been his bride the evening of the very day that he had to flee. So two big sorrows filled his heart as he embarked upon a tramp steamer, for "anywhere" in the tropics.

With his spirit broken by his unforgettable past, and his exile from his loved ones, he soon became a prey to vice, sinking swiftly to the level of the outcast. But everybody about him drank, gambled and swaggered.

The motley crew he mixed with thought no more of human life than their counter parts, the ferocious jungle beasts. Every country of Europe had contributed at least one man, and the United States had a dozen, while the natives of the Malay peninsula, China, Japan, and adjoining isles, flooded the island to do coolie labour, although a portion of their bolder, and more desperate fellows mixed with the white men in their vice.

Nearly all this struggling mass of vicious life ceased to exist one day, because of a whim of nature. The dry season made way for the rainy season, bringing a typhoon, which in turn, brought a tidal wave. The heights of drama are attained throughout this storm which few would care to miss.

**"ONE A MINUTE."**

DOUGLAS MACLEAN'S NEW PICTURE.

The village drug store, the trade mart for everything from phonographs to lollypops, has been enterprisingly exploited in "One a Minute," Douglas MacLean's latest Paramount Ince Comedy, which will be presented at the Star Theatre on Thursday next.

The store is a study in small-town trade versatility. Everything within the druggist's province, and many things outside, are displayed in characteristic disarray, while in the windows, draped with red and green paper streamers are enormous displays of "Knight's 99," the miraculous panacea for all human ailments upon which hinges the main action of the story.

The picture tells of the vicissitudes of Jimmy Knight, the leading role portrayed by MacLean, when he places on the market a miraculous medicine which as is disclosed in the final scenes of the picture, really possesses curative powers.

"One a Minute," a successful stage success by Fred Jackson, was adapted to the screen by Joseph Franklin Poland. Marian DeBeck, who recently entered filmdom from the New York stage, appears in the leading feminine role, while Victor Potel, Andrew Robson, Frances Raymond and Graham Pettie assume important characterizations.

was served to them on the studio grounds with Douglas himself in the role of a waiter. The star and producer dealt out sandwiches and coffee for half an hour. Prior to the lunch, Fairbanks had guided the entire party through the studio, telling them in French parts of the story of "The Thief of Bagdad."

**HOW MOVIES ARE MADE.**

FRENCH SAILORS' GLIMPSE.

Three hundred sailors from the French battleship "Jeanne D'Arc" are to-day much cheered as they continue their cruise around the world, due to the fact that Douglas Fairbanks recently gave them a "close-up" of the art of motion picture making when they visited the Pickford-Fairbanks studios as guests of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

The sailors were in charge of a group of petty officers. Luncheon

**PACIFIC COAST GALE.**

HELPS DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS' PICTURE.

A recent gale which swept the Pacific coast, and during which the wind often reached fifty and sixty miles an hour, actually destroying one big set in Douglas Fairbanks' forthcoming screen feature, "The Thief of Bagdad," and imperilling many others, did not work entirely to the disadvantage of the mammoth production.

High winds in some of the scenes of "The Thief of Bagdad" are absolutely necessary, especially those scenes having to do with the "Magic Carpet." In this sequence Mr. Fairbanks and Julianne Johnston, who plays the role of "The Princess" float over the City of Bagdad on a magic carpet.

When all other work at the studio was halted because of the wind velocity, Fairbanks suggested that they might "shoot" the close-ups of the magic carpet scenes and thus get a realistic effect. Miss Johnston was asked about it, and declared she wasn't a bit afraid of a perilous ride in the high wind.

Though the great rug, which is used as the magic carpet, was tossed back and forth and up and down, an excellent "take" was recorded on only the third attempt. On the screen, when "The Thief of Bagdad" is released this scene will be doubly baffling to those fans who attempt to figure out just how it was photographed.

**INDIAN "MOVIE" STARS.**

FAIRBANKS' WONDERFUL SCENES FROM OLD TRIBE.

Ghosts of the living dead! Such is the reference made to a number of the characters appearing in the forthcoming Douglas Fairbanks-United Artists' production, "The Mollycoddle," which will be shown at the Coronet Theatre to-night.

The "living dead" are members of the Hopi Indian tribe who are prominent in several episodes of the third Fairbanks' picture for the "Big Four," who since the filming of the scenes have passed on to the happy hunting grounds.

It was several weeks after the Fairbanks' company had visited the Hopi reservation, one hundred miles from Holbrook, Arizona, that it was learned that five of the Indians, two chiefs included, had succumbed. They had been very conspicuous in a sacred dance of the tribe, which through special arrangement was caught by the camera.

Not alone was it the first time that such a dance had ever been held other than during the proper feast celebration but it was also the first time that any member of the Hopi tribe had ever been photographed.

In order to secure the permission to film the Indians it was necessary to provide them with numerous delicacies in the food line which they could not procure and a promise was also made that they would be given the opportunity of viewing their work by way of the silver sheet.

When the film had been developed and printed a special screen was constructed on the desert and every Redskin of the tribe attended the showing of this episode of "The Mollycoddle" after the star had had a miniature projection machine sent on from Los Angeles and much time and trouble was given to rigging up an electric appliance.

With much ceremony the guests seated themselves in front of the canvas, most of them to see a motion picture for the first time. As Indian figures in fantastic dances began to zig-zag and wig-wag before their astonished eyes, there was a buzz of excitement throughout the audience.

Then there was a noise from the rear of the gathering and two aged Redskins jumped to their feet and shouting in their native tongue disappeared in the dark with considerable rapidity. Others followed and it looked like the show was going to break-up and with serious results.

Mr. Fairbanks was quick to realize impending danger, so he had the picture stopped. The lights were turned on and the uproar ceased. Investigation then revealed the fact that several of the chiefs and some of the tribe had died since the picture was taken and that the fellow-tribemen believed that the likelihood of the "silver sheet" was ghosts.

The outcome of it all was the same of the more intelligent Indians took the situation in hand and with the aid and assurance of the Government agent, every man was quieted. The show was then shifted and applauded in Indian fashion via vocal utterances instead of hand clapping and the first of "stock" film owned by the Indians is the sacred dance which appears in "The Mollycoddle."

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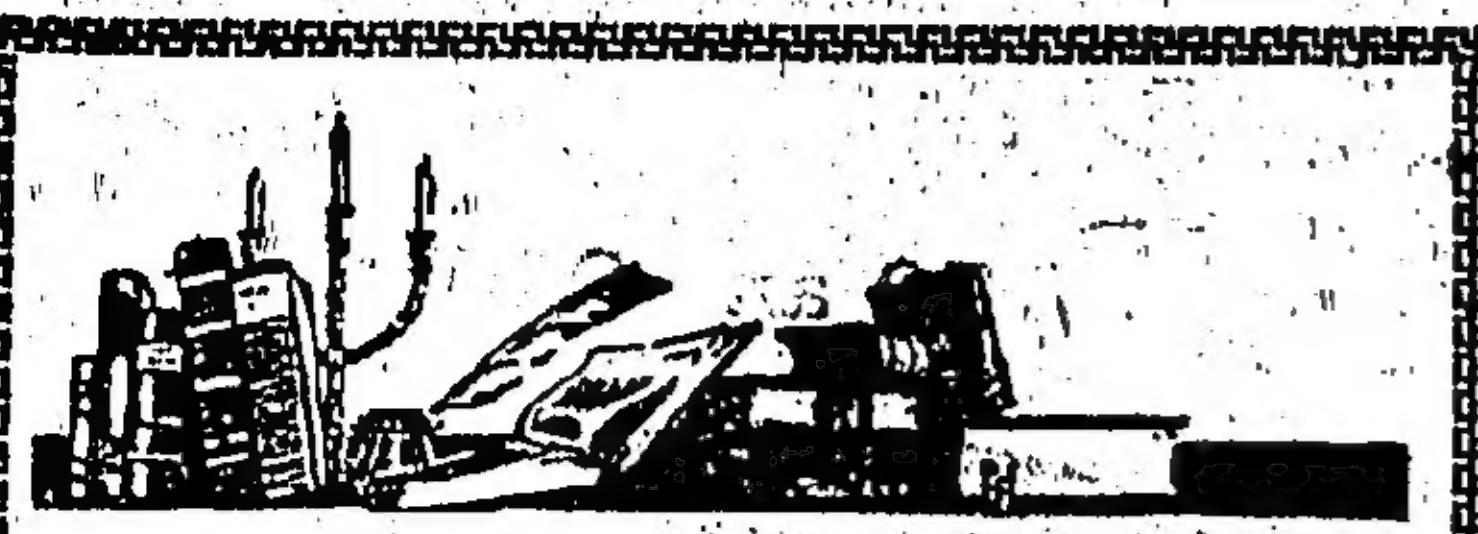
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## BOOKS

### REACTIONS OF A READER.

We took the first dip into Mr. Stephen Graham's novel, "Under London" (London: Macmillan & Co., Ltd.), with the keenest zest. For whether Mr. Graham has led the way across the plains of Russia or over the bare hills to Jerusalem, whether he has sailed the Rockies or traced Sherman's march to the sea—we have been content in his company. A huge, lank, stalwart creature, physically and intellectually, Mr. Graham is built for the windy, waste places. What, then, does he mean by restricting himself to the narrow bounds of a single London suburb? It simply will not do. His efforts are as ill-directed as those of a caged animal and, as a result, the book is wooden and characterless—everything that, when untrammelled, its author is not. As a picture of the daily life of Fred Masters, just one of the boys who roamed the streets, the narrative misses distinction; it has neither power nor humour, it is without dimensions, "stale, flat, and unprofitable." Is it, perhaps, in some measure auto-biographical? Such books often are. If so, it is futile for Mr. Graham to keep his vision to the ground beneath his feet; his gaze is trained for far horizons.

Another novel of place, "Weeds," by Edith Summers-Kelley (New York: Harcourt, Brace & Co. \$2), comes also to hand. How amazing a contrast to Mr. Graham's dull London streets! Yet, in quite another way, no less depressing. We can think that this book might prove effective propaganda for those social workers who go into the mountainous districts of Kentucky or North Carolina. Most of us know that there are in the United States such neglected and primitive backwaters into which progress and culture have scarcely begun to

penetrate. Mrs. Edith Wharton has made the knowledge inescapable. For her "Ethan Frome" and "Summer" forced us to face the hideous conditions which still exist in remote parts of New England. And "Sun-Up," one of the few really vital plays now being presented in New York City, goes one step further in visualizing these people and their surroundings. "Sun-Up" put us into precisely the right mood for the reading of "Weeds."

We did wish it were not so long. The repetition is wearying, for the author seems to have over-accounted the unlovely aspects. We got a sense, too, that she was striving to include every event which could possibly play havoc with these people in their common round of vesting a living from the tobacco fields. The story would have been sharpened, quickened, by omissions which would throw significant scenes into the high light. Judy's childhood is particularly good, though. We seem to know the kooky-like little face, framed in tangled black hair; to feel the child's quick sensibilities, her response to beauty, her gentleness with animals. "Land, that little girl's got life enough for a dozen such—too much life, too much life for a girl!" So her easy-going old father used to say; for to him, as to most of the others, nothing much mattered except to have enough to eat and sometimes an opportunity to gossip with the neighbours. But the joy went out of Judy; her ghostly struggle with poverty and loneliness and starvation—physical no more than mental—gradually sapped it. So despair came, with all its train of consequences—disillusionment and neglect, hatred and wrong-doing. In all the community there was only one who understood, who shared her inner perceptions;

that was her husband's Uncle Jabez. There is a glorious description of one sunset which they watched together; in fact, the book abounds in sights and sounds and smells of the rugged countryside. We closed it with the hope that Judy's cabin is still set on a hill-top, facing the western sky.

Are titles copyrighted or not? In any case, anybody and everybody appropriates them. Take Miss Kelley's "Weeds": it was such an excellent title that Pio Baroja used it as well, in the same season. Then Miss Dorothy Foster Gilman and Mr. Robert Chambers have both selected "Lorraine," not simultaneously this time, of course. Other examples might be submitted. But of what avail? Apparently authors now employ any titles they like, fresh or hackneyed.

Of the editing of Boswell's Johnson there is evidently no end. Mr. Archibald Marshall (of all unlikely persons!) is the last to fall into the snare. Not that we blame him. For to the good Johnsonian there could hardly be a more delectable pastime than the making of his own edition of this classic.

—M. W.

### THE MISSION OF BOOKS.

There is good gospel in an article by Mr. Clifford Smith that appears in the first number of the *International Book Review*, a new and most admirable New York weekly published by Messrs. Funk and Wagnalls. Mr. Clifford Smith says:

Just as Christianity is based on a Book, it may well be that the future conquest of the Empire of Peace will find in a good book, a book impregnated with the immortality of truth, a more effective agency than a thousand battle-ships or any of the destructive agencies created by human ingenuity. History, indeed, is one long attestation of the supremacy of the printed page. The glory of England shines more fully in a certain marvellous Book of Plays, obscurely published just three centuries ago, than in her fleets and merchant marine; Greece lives in Homer and Plato, long after the ship-

peron has crumbled in ruins and their respective countries have no pretence, more enduring monuments to bequeath posterity than those upon which they are built. These names as Dante, Cervantes, Molière, Balzac, Goethe, Ibsen, Tolstoy. After all, and in spite of the mechanical marvels of modern science, the printing-press remains the driving force of civilization.

In this connection, it has often been pointed out that since the invention of printing there has not been one great social or political movement in the world that has not to some extent been caused by the influence of one great book. It is always rather futile to consider the "might have been"—to wonder, for example, what would have happened if Eve had never eaten the apple. At the same time, it is quite obvious that the whole history of the world would have been profoundly different if Machiavelli had never written "The Prince"; if Rousseau had never written his "Social Contract"; if Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe had never written "Uncle Tom's Cabin"; and through the power of sentiment aggravated Northern American feeling against slavery; if Karl Marx had never written "Das Capital."

### ROMANCE.

If the sociological volume has influenced collective history, the writer of romance has profoundly affected the individual, not only by imparting keen pleasure, but in encouraging a larger sympathy and understanding, and particularly, in the case of such writers as Bunyan and Dickens and many of the poets, in making the individual life finer and more satisfactory. Gibbon said that Fielding's "Tom Jones" would live when the Imperial Eagle of Austria had been cast into the dust; and he was a good prophet.

Mr. Clifford Smith says that the war has "stimulated the reading of books, sharpened the critical faculty with which books are regarded, and enlarged the domain that they formerly occupied in human experience." That is as true of England as it is of the United States, and it is one of the happiest characteristics of our time that men and women who often have to struggle hard for a livelihood and who are, to quote Joseph Conrad, "properly intent on their own affairs," are now finding in the library the explanation, the encouragement, and the excitement that are necessary if life is to be worth living.

### GEORGE GISSING IN THE BOOKSHOP.

The romance of the Gissing books does not depend on any single vagary; it is the record of a dozen vagaries. I knew George Gissing himself very well. He spent many an hour browsing among my books, or talking about them, between the years 1883 and 1886. He lived quite near to my shop in Boziers Court, then lying off Tottenham Court Road, but now demolished. He always seemed to be lingering about New Oxford Street. In those days my shop did not close until ten o'clock, and Gissing was always the last to depart.

He never appeared to buy books for himself. He looked very shabby, with a quiet, depressed air. He was slimly built and youthful-mannered, though he was not given to smiling much, as though all the trouble of the world had concentrated on him and deprived him of the gift of turning up the corners of his mouth. I was very glad when I noticed later how much more successful he was becoming. But what irony there is in the fact that last year I sold a copy of his first novel, "Workers in the Dawn," in three volumes, for a hundred pounds.

George Gissing's brother, Mr. Algernon Gissing, is still in touch with my shop. Physically he and the author of "Demos" are worlds apart. Of medium height, and though gray, the picture of health. Mr. Algernon Gissing is one of those men who arrest everybody's attention when they come into a room. It is through his kind co-operation that I became the possessor of a set of, first, editions of his brother's novels, each of them a presentation copy with autograph inscription. One is especially interesting: "From 7 k. it is a copy of the first volume of 'The Northern World,' cottage, September, 1889." I asked Mr. Gissing what these words signified. "My brother was living in a Residence by Baker Street Station, and called 'Mansions.' My cottage was at Smallbrook, Walter F. Spencer, in 'Forty Years in My Bookshop.'

### "WOMAN OF KNOCKALOE." AN IMPRESSION.

"It was a dream! Ah, what is not a dream!" With these words Sir Hall Caine closes his introduction to "The Woman of Knockaloe." This same dream however, disclosed a divinely human personality. Who but he who continually feels, and suffers from "the disappointment and disillusionment of war, its political uselessness, its immeasurable cruelty, its limitless waste, its widespread wretchedness and above all its inhuman demoralization" will have such a dream? Who but he who has earnestly tried to advocate a peace of goodwill towards all men can dream such a dream? This latest work of Sir Hall Caine is destined to become the favourite novel of the young men of to-morrow as the Grimm's Fairy Tales are to the children of to-day.

Like not a few of its kind, this story is best finished at one sitting. Three hours is ample. A quiet evening cannot be more satisfactorily spent than by perusing the pages of this book. If at the finish your heart does not burn with favour or your views of redress modified then you are not truly human, and there are doubts whether a Creator's hands did make you. Should this fervour be retained in your opinion, it is sure to be more elevated.

The tragedy and love of Mona are employed in a masterly manner to bring out the story. Sir Hall here paints for us a real and impartial picture of war and another of a peace that was worse than war. The story opens with mobilization for war with Germany in 1914. Robbie promptly joined the ranks leaving his young sister Mona at home to comfort the old father. Mona hated the Germans and at the time welcomed an opportunity of redress. The old man was forced constantly to rebuke her for her un-Christian behaviour. News came regularly of cold-blooded murders of helpless children and women and brutal sinking of neutral and hospital ships. Knockaloe, their farm and home was soon turned into an internment camp. Mona was furious at having to serve the prisoners. The father was silent. One day news came of the death of Robbie at the front to be followed later with the news of the award of the Victoria Cross. The father is immediately seized with apoplexy and confined to bed. The girl's anger knows no bounds. The pendulum has now

reached its one extreme and is ready to visit the other. This stroke of Providence, crested all Christian patience and resignation out of the aged father. His heart now grows bitter. He becomes quite another man. Mona's views at the same time also undergo a complete change. This came so unexpectedly, so intensely and at such an unopportune moment that trouble marked every stage. From Oskar Heine (?) a young, slim but well bred and quiet German of the internment camp Mona hears numerous tales of suffering, distress and bereavement. Each one softens her young heart against the victims of war, each one teaches her that all sides and not one only suffers in the struggle. She has now heard both parts of the story. Pity, and sympathy for the persecuted accelerated by that of her own, soon filled the young breast. One Christmas night Oskar comes with the news of his tiny sister's death. Mona tries to comfort him. The old man only downstairs and sees his last comfort, his remaining child in the arms of one of his country's enemy. The second shock kills him. Mona's pity for the bereaved, is now interpreted as betrayal of her country. Friends now forsake her and neighbours jeer at her. Alone she faces the future, a victim of jealousy, hate and war. Then in her anguish she asks why men make wars and why God? (If He is a loving Father) allows His world to be thus violated. She now craves and prays for peace. Peace comes but it is no peace. She is forced to vacate the farm. The young German with his high sense of honour and gratitude for her help stays by her. He tries every means in his power to aid the heroine of Knockaloe but failed. His old mother has no roof for those who killed her country's sons. A thousand and more disappointments. Soon orders come for Oskar to return to Germany. Every path is now closed to her and her beloved. The curtain falls with the sacrifice. To the island's cliff which overlooks the Atlantic they go. Clipped together they go through the burial service. They kiss each other a sad good-bye. It is their first. It is their last. Wanted by none, despoised by all, they return their souls to Him who gave them. The sea with open arms receive them.

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## SCREENLAND.

### HUMAN WRECKAGE.

#### MASTERSHIP OF ARTISTIC EFFECTS.

American screen art has developed rapidly in the last decade, yet there is one aspect in which it has not yet equalled that of European producers. Because it is too great a departure from the ordinary run of popular films, the wary showmen have stayed away from the fantastic, and have thus eliminated from their programmes the highest type of moving picture artistry. German and French producers, sure of public sympathy and support in any progress made along artistic lines, have boldly stepped to the fore in this field of endeavour. With master strokes they have devised elaborate sets which are a distinct relief from the ordinary. Critics welcomed the change from the commonplace, evidenced in the highly commendable foreign production "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" and "The Golem," in spite of the scenes of which not a straight line was visible.

Heretofore, American cameramen have resorted to illusions made merely by a trick of the lens, in scenes requiring peculiar effects. They have deemed it too costly to erect huge sets, in which no two uprights, crossbeams or supports run parallel, and each measurement must be made with fair width accuracy. The designing alone of such a construction would be expensive, not to mention the actual building of the grotesque scenery.

Finally, however, the art director at the Ince Studios, in Culver City, where "Human Wreckage," Mrs. Wallace Reid's gripping film, is now given carte blanche by the production manager to construct a mammoth set, called for in the programme of the picture, written by G. Gardner Sullivan. Without building its own stage details, as huge street has been constructed, the set of which will run into many miles of distance, depicting the dream of a mad scientist. In this scene, the latest work of the Ince Studios, the art director has not only created a masterpiece of screen art, but has also devised a

### FAMOUS ACTORS.

#### "SHADOWS OF THE NORTH" CAST.

Famous names of stage and screen are many in the cast of "Shadows of the North," the Universal attraction starring William Desmond, now showing at the World Theatre.

Desmond, famous for years for his depiction of virile characters in stirring photoplays, has been surrounded by Robert Hill, director of the picture, with one of the most important casts he has ever played with. The feminine rôle is filled by Virginia Brown Faire, who led the cast of "Without Benefit of Clergy," "Omar, the Tentmaker" and other famous pictures. Other members of the cast are equally notable.

Fred Kohler is one of the famous names on the list of actors. A character player known the world over for his successes on stage and screen, Kohler plays the part of "Ray Brent," a striking heavy rôle, in the play "William Welsh," who plays "Jeffrey Nielson," is another striking figure in the play, and also well-known for years among "Big time" photoplay folk.

"Shadows of the North" is a thrilling and spectacular story of the Canadian Northwest. It carries the audience through a series of thrilling adventures, conflicts and a charming romance set in exciting episodes galore.

Stage effects designed by master painters run riot, lamp-posts to ten drunkenly and lights arranged to magnify its grotesque play upon the "stuff that dreams are made of." The stuff that dreams are made of, and in performing tasks they have never done before. Exponents of futuristic and impressionistic schools of art and music frankly that they could not have devised anything more whimsical.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CHRIST'S TEARS.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir.—We are surprised at the correspondence which appeared in your valuable paper of the first instant because this is the first time that any person from a Catholic have been raised against this wine brand although long before now this brand of wine had been widely known in all the markets of the world, especially in that of Brazil to where immense quantities of wine of this brand have been exported yearly.

It seems that it has offended someone's religious susceptibilities, but we, who are Catholics ourselves by conviction, do not see any cause for offence, and we have the highest respect for every one's religious creed.

However, we wish to make it clear that there is not the slightest profanation in selling wine with labels containing a picture which has not been blessed because, in like manner, postal cards with the image of Christ imprinted on them have been sold in large numbers.

The Latin phrase "Lacrima Christi" must have inspired the merchants who first introduced this wine into the market with the idea that, instead of being a profanation, no better expression could be found to denote the excellent quality of this wine.

"Lacrima Christi" began to be sold in Italy, a Catholic and very religious country, and we have no doubt that "Lacrima Christi" from the well-known House of Adriano Ramo Pinto is being drunk even in the Vatican without anyone seeing any slight sense of irreverence in the use of such an expression.

We ourselves have sold Port wine of this brand to many priests whose feelings on matter religious are highly respected, and yet no one ever thought of making any protest whatsoever against its use because the brand is a well-known one and much sought after in every market.

Even in England to where Pinto's Port has been largely exported and much prized owing to the excellence and superiority of this brand of wine, "Lacrima Christi" commands a large sale.

Moreover, we are mere agents for the wine of this brand, and, as such, we have no right or power to make any change in a mark that has already been registered and known throughout the world.

We beg leave to call your attention to a slight inaccuracy in your Editorial Note which certainly gave the impression that the labels had been affixed to the bottles at Macao.

That is not so, as all labels had been affixed to the bottles in Portugal before they were shipped to other countries.

Thanking you in anticipation for your kindness in inserting this letter in your valuable paper.

Yours faithfully,  
Pela Agencia Commercial de  
Macao O Gerente  
MANUEL SETCOS.  
Macao, February 7.

## CEMENTS AND GETTING TOGETHER.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir.—You have from time to time, been urging the desirability of the Rotary Movement in Hongkong in so far as the idea of getting the different communities together is concerned; and reading the account in your paper of the extraordinary meeting—extraordinary in more senses than one, of the Cement Co., I have been wondering if, had we had a Rotary Club or International Club functioning, such a meeting would ever have been held with the resulting resignation of several of the Colony's ablest businessmen and financiers.

I begin to see, perhaps, the raising of the Editorial eye, and perhaps the look incredulous on the part of your many readers at such a seemingly ridiculous statement. I may be wrong, but I read into the meeting recorded something which others may not have seen there. I do not wish to question—and the thought is not in my mind, the motives of those who spoke and attended the Cement Co.'s meeting and who were in opposition to those whom I have described above. They were all, doubtless, imbued with the idea of furthering the interests, not only of the Cement Co., and themselves in the way of increased dividends, which is legitimate, but the Colony as an industrial centre. But there is that desire, a growing desire it seems to me, on the part of certain enterprising men who are possessed and share in the management and control of certain of our limited companies. The desire is legitimate, but the plums of what hitherto have been a not overburdened method of earning fees have remained in the same hands. I am not suggesting that a Rotary or any other Club would have stilled these desires, but I do suggest that if the Colony possessed a "getting together" organisation there would be less communal isolation and that each community possessed members of it with high ideals, business acumen, and zeal comparable with the best; and a way-out would have been found without the possibility of recriminations and loss of good feeling. It is all to the credit of those who seem to be leading the latest "revolt" that their desire is not to

## COLOFN Y CYMRO.

Nationalist at St. Stephen's.

An interesting subject for a Nationalist essay might be "The Welsh Conquest of England."—We in Wales have got into the habit of complaining that our country is being overrun by aliens, our nationalism being submerged by foreign influences, even our religious instincts in danger of being lost in our attachment to imported ideas. Much might be written on this theme. But Wales is getting its own back. In Pulpit and Press and Parliament may be perceived proof of the peaceful penetration of English public life by Welshness. If you have any doubts upon the question, compare the list of members of the new Parliament with that of the House of Commons of 30 or 40 years ago. A leading London contemporary utters a heroic growl at the number of those bearing Welsh names who flock to St. Stephen's. Time was when the Irish and Scottish patronymics studded the division lists in Hansard.

They will not this Session. The decline of Irish influence in English legislation is shown by the fact that only four "O's" appear. There are 14 Scottish "Mac's", three of them bearing the future Premier's patronymic. But the Welsh names are legion, there being more Davieses than Smiths, Brownes or Robinsons. Smith used to be a prominent name in English public life, and was accepted as typically English. In the new Parliament there are three times as many Davieses, twice as many Williamses and twice as many Joneses as there are Smiths.

The University of Wales Parliamentary election result was—  
George M. Lloyd Davies (Christian Pacifist)..... 570  
Prof. Joseph Jones..... 560  
Major Jack Edwards..... 467

Majority..... 10.

Independent gain.

"Wales will, barring accidents, have the honour of having sent to St. Stephen's two Premiers within five years. Neither of the two, it is true, was born in Wales but the Principality is the native land of the family of the one, and the adopted country of the other. Mr. Lloyd George returns to Chichester when he wants quiet; Mr. Ramsay MacDonald seeks the peacefulness of Lloswenham when exercising his ingenuity as a Cabinet-minister. When we have the next Cabinet finally formed I venture to predict there will be more than one Welshman in it. The Rev. J. H. Howard Colwyn Bay assures us that Wales is represented in the British Parliament just now by "the three most important men in the Kingdom." He thus places them in order of importance:—

"D. Lloyd George, the problem and the hope of Liberalism; Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader; and next, Premier; Mr. George Davies the first in the history of the United Kingdom to be sent to Parliament for the single reason that he is a Christian. I do not imagine Mr. Howard wishes us to believe that the representative of the Welsh University will be the only Christian M.P. of the 615, but he evidently wants us to think that it was not their Christianity which took, or placed, them there. He may, perhaps, pardon me if I say that I very much doubt if it was entirely because of his Christianity, that Mr. George Davies was sent there. If that were true, Wales would have a higher opinion of her University as the public exponent of Welsh Christian principles. Personally, I fear that many university electors voted for Mr. Geo. Davies not because, but in spite of his Christian principles.

RANDOM LEAVES. S.W.W. News.

## PASSENGERS.

## EXPATRIATES.

Per B. P. s.s. "Mentor" on Feb 8:—  
Mr. A. R. Moser, Miss E. Moser, Mr. G. F. Whetstone, Miss E. C. Brotherhood, Mr. A. G. Birch, Captain D. Loo, Mr. E. B. Burrows, Captain and Mrs. P. S. Adey, Mrs. R. M. Shaw, Mrs. L. Sanderson, Miss E. C. Cothran, Mrs. J. McArthur, Mr. C. McArthur, Miss N. Wentworth, Mrs. J. H. Keating, Sister M. Constance, Mrs. A. Ratcliff, Mrs. E. Parkinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Frederick, Mr. E. F. Hall, Mr. F. C. Clemon, Mr. J. W. H. McPhail, Mrs. C. A. Newcomb, Mrs. G. E. Aubrey, Miss K. Sudka, Miss D. Hodgkin.

dispose those at present in possession and to pay devoted, if reasonably paid service, with the summary order of the soul.  
I hope I may be allowed to add that I am not a Portuguese or a Chinese, or have been asked by influential members of either community to vote you thus; neither am I a shareholder in any of our local companies. I am interested in this "getting together" movement and strange though it may seem I am not attached to insularity. As John Wesley regarded the whole world as his parish, so I regard Hongkong as a place where the peoples of it should be linked together in a more binding chain than exists at present.  
Yours etc.  
BRITANNIA.  
Hongkong, February 8.

## FATAL FRACAS.

## MILITARY BONDS DISPUTE.

CANTON'S NEW YEAR EVE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, February 6.

It is reported that a Yunnanese corporal and two privates were shot, supposedly fatally, in a fracas outside a shop in the Wing Tack Road in the old city on China New Year eve.

As far as can be made out, the soldiers presented a paper purporting to be a "military bond" said to have been issued by the Canton authorities to pay the troops. The denomination was \$10 and the soldiers are reported to have demanded \$20 in change for a 30 cents purchase. The shopkeeper quibbled but, under pressure, declared that he had no change available and offered to make a free gift of the article. This the soldiers refused and the trouble started over their alleged insistence that the bond be accepted as current tender and that change be given in silver.

The shopkeeper claims that his till was rifled in the scuffle and that the three culprits were shot down when they threatened, or even attempted to attack, a patrol of Merchants' Volunteer Corps.

A meeting of volunteers was held shortly afterwards when it was decided that the streets in the business centres be barricaded. Barbed-wire entanglements and steel-plates were put up in some instances and in a few hours, the glamour and hubbub of New Year eve had been completely transformed to a comparative state of siege. The whole strength of the Merchants' Volunteers is reported to have been mobilised and patrolling the streets. Few unarmed Chinese were out late even on New Year's day.

## TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

## MATCHES ON THE FIXTURE LIST.

The following matches are due to be played to-day:—  
H.K.F.A. Challenge shield. (Junior): Club de Recreio v. South China "B". St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer. Kick off at 2.45 p.m.  
HONGKONG LEAGUE DIVISION I. South China v. H.M.S. "Titania." Hongkong F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.

Kowloon v. H.M.S. "Despatch." Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeham.

R.G.A. v. H.M.S. "Ambrose." Sookmoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Collins. Kick off at 4.15 p.m.

DIVISION II. Club Reserves v. "Titania." Reserves, H.K. Club ground. Referee: Mr. Davies.

Kowloon Reserves v. Sacred Heart, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeham.

South China "A" v. St. Joseph's, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

University v. R.G.A. Reserves, Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Fairburn.

H.M.S. "Marazion" v. H.M.S. "Irisquois." Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Bailey.

Surrey's Reserves v. Filipino Club, Sookmoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Collins. Kick off at 2.45 p.m.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, February 7.

Following are the results of the Football Cup replays on February 7:—  
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Wolverhampton, 1; Charlton, 0.  
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## CHURCH NOTES.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER  
EPIPHANY.

THE CHURCH.

We have arrived at a place of danger in the life of the Christian Church. The institution increases—prophecy decreases. The Institution always wins, unless something bold and definite is done to vindicate the liberty of the Spirit. It is not necessary to plan that it should win; falling some other movement, that always happens. Man takes refuge from prophecy in the Institution. To care for it and to defend it, is his natural tendency. The Institution must be kept bold in its right place. That is the task which we have to face to-day, and there is no time to be lost. The Institution is valuable when it provides an open road for the spiritual message with its truth and power. It is to be judged by the scope and freedom it gives to those who bring into this human scene the Eternal Gospel of God in its living power. When the Church ceases to be an end in itself, it ceases to be the Church. There is some danger in that to-day. For a time indeed, it looked as if there were to be a new freedom in this land for the prophetic witness of the Church. In the war we began to see our tasks in their true proportions, and to value more the power than the machinery. We began. That was all. But the Church is becoming timid now; and in hours of timidity it defends the status quo. Safety First! Now Safety First is a good rule for passengers crossing to Trafalgar Square, but it is a poor policy for the Church of the Living God. That was taught at the first to live dangerously. And of all the adjectives attached to the Church, high, low, broad, hard, there is none more humiliating than timid: The Timid Church! How shameful it sounds! But this will be the judgment upon us if we hide from the tenor and the splendour of our task in the coverts of an institution.

—H. R. L. SHEPPARD.

## THE EPISTLE.

Crossians, 3.12 recognises Christians as already the elect of God and bids them put on accordingly the likeness of Christ, first and most truly in all the various phases of "Charity" which is the bond of perfectness growing under the thankful sense of the peace of God; next, on the wisdom coming from the insight of a devotion which is able at once to teach others and to promote its own thankfulness to God—in the psalms and hymns of the multitude and the spiritual songs of the few. Lastly, in the sense that whatever we do in word or deed we do in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. The last phrase sums up the Christian attitude to the whole of life.

## THE GOSPEL.

St. Matthew 13.24, is the celebrated parable of the wheat and the tares. It describes the good seed sown by the Son of Man in the field of this world spoiled and choked by the tares—a counterfeit of wheat detected only by the black poisonous grain formed in the ear, sown by the Evil one and his servants. It is not to be rooted out violently, but left to the final division and destruction at the harvest of the Great Day. The parable teaches that evil is the counterfeit of good, that tares are best destroyed not by rooting up, but by cultivation of the good seed, that evil, in the world or in the heart, exists not by God's will, but by His permission, and exists only for a time.

## A WISH.

May Christ, Who gave thee to me as a friend  
Vouchsafe Himself to thee;  
And in His Love unbounded  
condescend  
To be thy trust and thy dearest  
Friend;  
Closer than I could be;  
That in His bond of love our  
souls may blend.  
In perfect sympathy,  
And each may daily to His care  
commend  
The threefold being of the absent  
friend.  
His Gift to thee, and me.

N.B.—Correspondence is invited and should be addressed to the writer, care of China Mail.

—OXONIENSIS.

## SHIP'S CREW SAVED.

## MID-OCEAN RESCUE.

## "PRESIDENT" BOAT'S FINE WORK.

Rescued in mid-ocean from a sinking ship through a creditable bit of work on the part of the s.s. "President Taft," the crew of the British steamer "Mary Horlock," 7 officers and 36 men, were brought to Hongkong yesterday aboard the "Empress of Australia."

It appears that the "Mary Horlock," a vessel of over 3,000 tons, sailed from Seattle on December 20, with a big cargo of lumber for Japan. Encountering stormy weather on New Year's Day she had a stiff battle with wind and sea for over three weeks until eventually, driven miles out of her course and listed over on to her beam ends through the moving of her cargo, the ship began to sink.

S.O.S. messages sent out on January 23, when the vessel was about 700 miles south of Japan, were picked up by the oil tanker "Hugiton" and the "President Taft," the latter hastening to her assistance and arriving at 3 p.m. on the 26th. The "Mary Horlock's" dangerous list and the heavy seas running made rescue work peculiarly difficult and that the "President Taft" managed to save the whole of the crew reflects very great credit upon her Commander (Captain January) and all concerned. Oil was poured on the water and life boats lowered with the help of skids and by 6 p.m. the last boatload had been brought off the doomed ship which, by orders of her Captain was scuttled and sank soon afterwards.

The s.s. "Mary Horlock" had been in commission for five years and her port of registry was Manningtree, England. She was owned by the Horlock Shipping Company. Her registered tonnage is 3,249 tons.

The ship-wrecked mariners were brought on to Yokohama by the "President Taft" and landed there. They were later sent to Kobe where they embarked on the s.s. "Empress of Australia" and were brought down to Hongkong. Here arrangements are being made for them to be sent home via Suez. The ship-wrecked officers are Capt. R. C. Hill (Commander of the "Mary Horlock"), Mr. D. Jones (Chief Officer), Mr. T. Jones (Second Officer), Mr. W. Dockway (Chief Engineer), Mr. V. Archel (Second Engineer), Mr. T. Murphy (Third Engineer) and Mr. H. Dobson (Fourth Engineer). Amongst the crew there are fourteen Africans.

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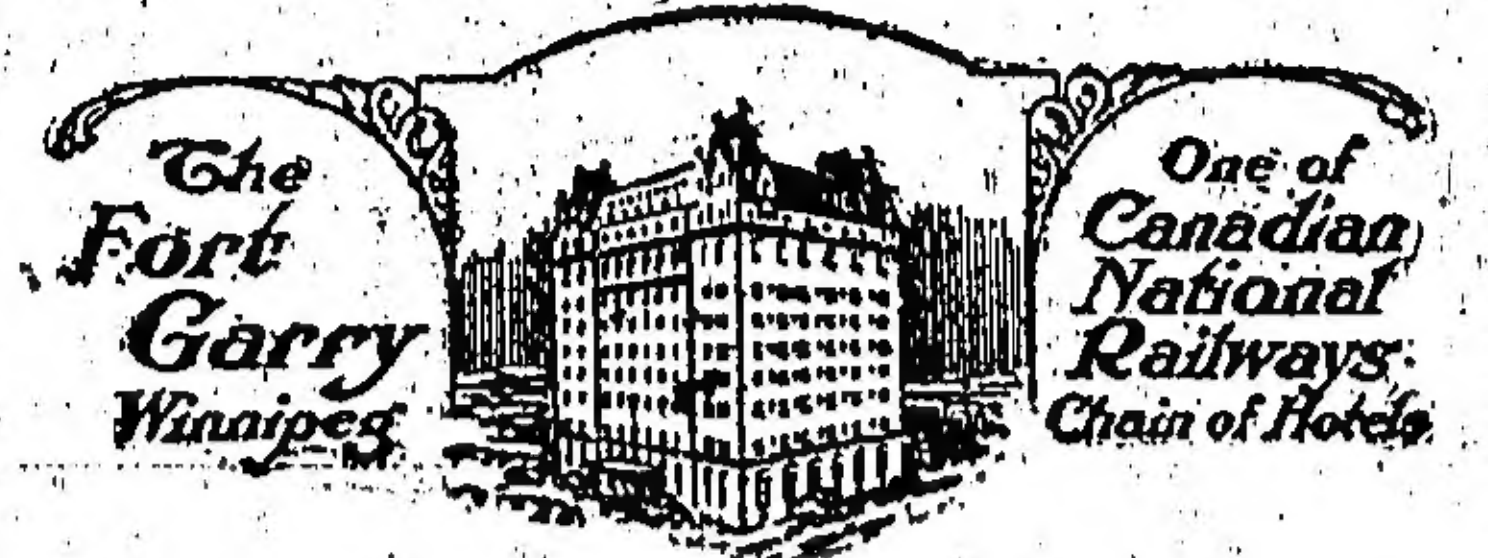
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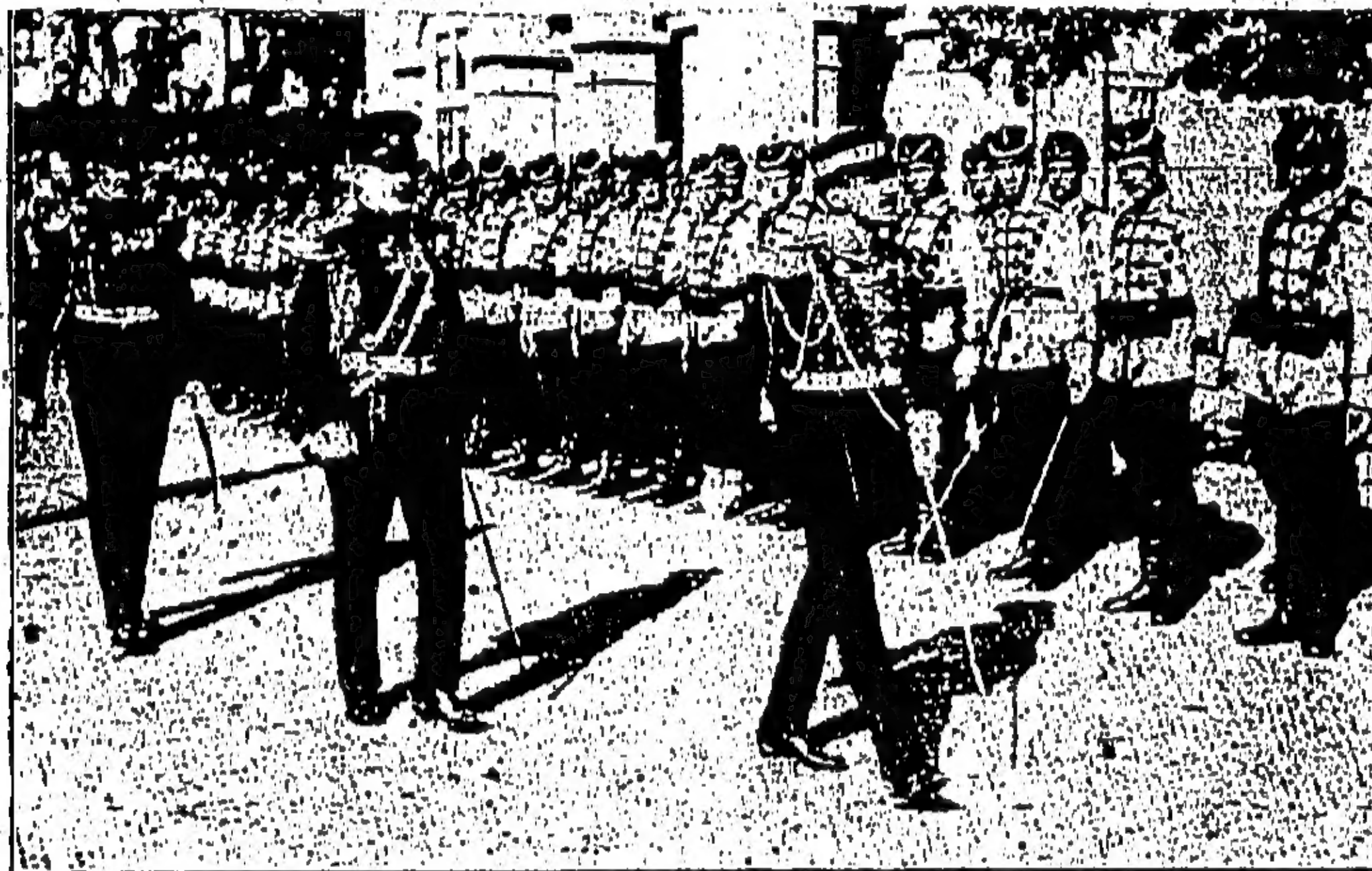
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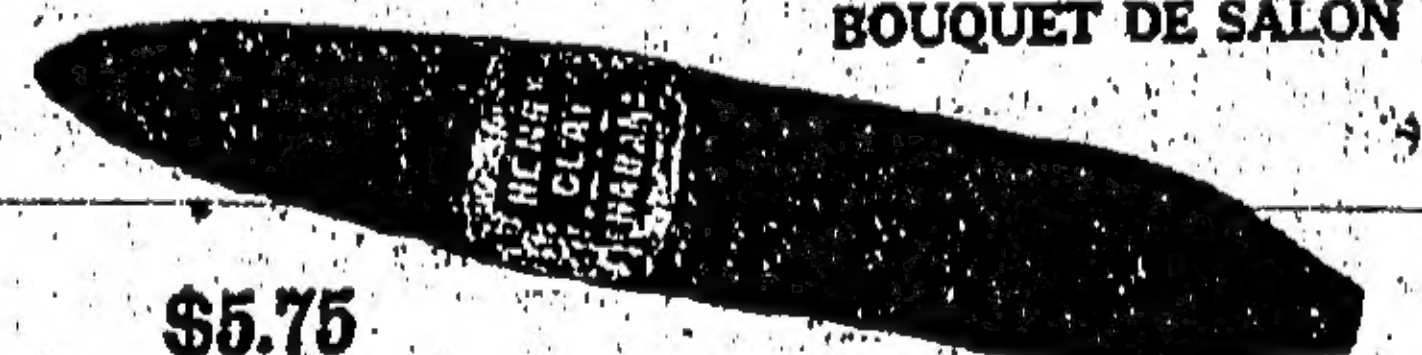
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Feb. 23-E.A.	Banks.
FROM SAIGON AND S'PORE	
Mar. 6-U.S.S.B.	West Ivan.
FROM MANILA	
Feb. 20-U.S.S.B.	West Ivan.
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FROM JAPAN	
Feb. 28-J.C.J.L.	Tijlboord.
Feb. 17-J.C.J.L.	Tijlboord.
26-J.C.J.L.	Tijlboord.
FROM BOMBAY	
Feb. 17-N.Y.K.	Timba Maru.
FROM CALCUTTA	
Feb. 16-N.Y.K.	Ceylon Maru.
Mar. 3-R.L.	Torilla.
32-B.L.	Japan.
FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	
Feb. 14-A.O.L.	Taiwan.
Mar. 7-E.A.	Aratara.
Apr. 4-E.A.	St. Albans.
May 2-E.A.	Aratara.
June 6-E.A.	Aratara.
July 4-E.A.	St. Albans.
Aug. 1-E.A.	Aratara.
FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER	
Feb. 11-A.O.L.	Pros. Jefferson.
13-J.C.J.L.	Tijlboord.
14-A.O.L.	West Henshaw.
16-N.Y.K.	Shidzuka Maru.
20-A.O.L.	Baku Field.
Mar. 10-B.F.	Philippines.
Apr. 3-B.F.	Tyndarus.
30-B.F.	Protestant.
May 28-B.F.	Philippines.
June 16-B.F.	Philippines.
July 10-B.F.	Tyndarus.
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FROM FRISCO, HONOLULU, KOBE, S'HA	
Mar. 1-D.S.L.	Pres. Adams.
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FROM EUROPEAN PORTS	
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17-J.C.J.L.	Tijlboord.
26-N.Y.K.	Hatuna Maru.
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